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1915 MEETING
COLUMBUS, OHIO
DECEMBER 27, 1915, TO JANUARY 1, 1916

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OFFICE OF THE PERMANENT SECRETARY

November 19, 1915

Dear Sir:

The undersigned members of the Committee on Delegates of this Association have the honor to invite the Institution which you represent to send one or more delegates to the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science which will be held, under the auspices of the State University, at Columbus, Ohio, December 27th, 1915, to January 1st, 1916.

Last year a large number of delegates, in response to a similar invitation, attended the meeting held at the University of Pennsylvania.

To-day many of the conditions which exist throughout the civilized world emphasize the increased importance of co-ordinating the activities of scientific societies and of fostering that spirit of co-operative endeavor which is expressed in the following resolutions adopted by the Council of the Association .

> RESOLVED: That the Council of the American Association for the Advancement of Science requests the educational institutions, government bureaus, and other agencies engaged in scientific research to send one or more delegates to the annual convocation week meetings of the Association and its affiliated societies, and that when possible the traveling expenses of the delegates be paid by the institutions which they represent.

Several institutions in this country have already adopted the custom which is general in Europe of paying the expenses of the delegates. The benefits to the institutions appointing delegates to attend the various meetings held during this convocation week, which ha s assumed the import-

ance of a national congress, have already been clearly demonstrated. The members of the committee express the hope that the contents of this letter will receive your earnest consideration and that you will take an active interest in sending representatives to attend the meetings to be held in Columbus.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) J. McK. CATTELL
Columbia University.

L. O. HOWARD
Smithsonian Institute.

STEWART PATON, Chairman,
Princeton University.

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November 20th, 1915

Dr. L. O. Howard,

Secretary, American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Dear Sir:

The suggestion of the letter sent to us on behalf of the American Association for the Advancement of Science that this university should send one or more delegates to the annual convention of the Association and that where possible the travelling expenses of the delegates should be paid was considered by the Board of Governors of the University yesterday. I regret that owing to the financial condition of the University arising mainly out of the present war the Governors are unable to promise to be represented by delegates to be appointed for the forthcoming meeting. I hope, however, that the meeting will prove to be successful. Possibly in the future we may be able to offer some inducements to members of our staff to attend the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

President.

June 19th, 1916

Dr. L. O. Howard,

American Association for the Advancement of Science,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Howard:

In normal times we should be glad to appoint delegates from the University to attend the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science to be held in New York next December, but owing to the war we have had to reduce our expenses in the University to a minimum, and grants such as you refer to will I am afraid be cut off in the meantime. With the return of better times we hope to be able to take our share.

Yours sincerely,

President.